

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Duane Ankney, on February 1, 2011 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317C  
Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)  
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. John Brenden (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Rinay Bender, Committee Secretary  
Greg DeWitt, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
James Chamberlain, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Department of Transportation hearing

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00:00:01 Greg DeWitt, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:00:58 Chairman Ankney

**Public Comment:**

00:01:32 Gary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)  
00:03:43 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana (MCM)  
00:04:53 Sen. Keane  
00:05:12 Mr. Stang, MCM

**Maintenance Division**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:05:36 Jim Lynch, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)  
00:06:22 Jon Swartz, Maintenance Division, MDT

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:09:54 Sen. Ripley  
00:10:49 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:16:48 Sen. Ripley  
00:17:21 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:18:18 Sen. Keane  
00:18:34 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:20:03 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:22:39 Sen. Brenden  
00:23:38 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:23:47 Sen. Keane left the meeting.  
00:24:44 Sen. Brenden  
00:25:29 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:26:19 Sen. Brenden  
00:26:29 Mr. Swartz  
00:26:41 Sen. Brenden  
00:27:01 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:27:10 Rep. Cuffe  
00:27:23 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:27:34 Rep. Cuffe  
00:27:56 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:28:19 Sen. Ripley

**State Motor Pool Division**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:29:32 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:31:16 Sen. Ripley  
00:31:41 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:35:34 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:39:43 Mr. Lynch, MDT

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:41:53 Sen. Brenden  
00:42:19 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:42:40 Sen. Brenden  
00:43:07 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:43:34 Sen. Brenden  
00:43:49 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:43:57 Rep. Cuffe left the meeting.  
00:44:17 Sen. Ripley  
00:44:25 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:44:59 Sen. Ripley  
00:45:39 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:46:10 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:46:52 Chairman Ankney  
00:47:13 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:47:30 Chairman Ankney  
00:47:39 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:47:55 Mr. Swartz, MDT  
00:48:27 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:49:07 Chairman Ankney  
00:49:51 Sen. Ripley  
00:50:20 Chairman Ankney  
00:50:27 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:51:08 Chairman Ankney

**Equipment Program**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:52:04 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:54:21 Sen. Ripley  
00:54:28 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:55:33 Sen. Ripley  
00:55:49 Mr. Lynch, MDT

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**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:56:30	Rep. Cuffe returned to the meeting.
00:57:08	Rep. Hollenbaugh
00:57:28	James Chamberlain, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)
00:57:45	Mr. Lynch, MDT
00:58:24	Mr. Swartz, MDT
00:59:35	Sen. Ripley
01:00:04	Sen. Brenden
01:01:30	Mr. Swartz, MDT
01:02:00	Chairman Ankney
01:02:05	Mr. Swartz, MDT
01:02:15	Mr. Lynch, MDT
01:03:25	Mr. DeWitt, LFD

**ADJOURNMENT**

01:04:13      Chairman Ankney adjourned the meeting.

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Rinay Bender, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([inh25aad.pdf](#))